

Amendments to the Claims:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A drop emitting device comprising:
an array of finger manifolds, each finger manifold having longitudinally separated first and second ends, wherein the first end comprises a fluid receiving end;
a plurality of drop generators, each fluidically coupled to one of the finger manifolds; and
a respective vent structure fluidically coupled to each of the finger manifolds for damping pressure perturbations in such finger manifold,
wherein the vent structure comprises a plurality of apertures disposed at the second end of each of the finger manifolds.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Canceled)
4. (Canceled)
5. (Original) The drop emitting device of claim 1 wherein each aperture has a diameter of at most about 60 microns.
6. (Original) The drop emitting device of claim 1 wherein the finger manifolds receive melted solid ink.
7. (Original) The drop emitting device of claim 1 wherein the finger manifolds, drop generators, and vent structures are formed in a laminar stack of metal plates.

8. (Canceled)

9. (New) A drop emitting device comprising:

an array of finger manifolds, each finger manifold having longitudinally separated first and second ends, wherein the first end comprises a fluid receiving end;

a plurality of drop generators fluidically coupled to each one of the finger manifolds; and

a means for damping pressure perturbations in each finger manifold.